State of South Dakota

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SENATE BILL NO. 168

Introduced by: Senators Novstrup (David), Bradford, Brown, Buhl O'Donnell, Frerichs, Haggar (Jenna), Haverly, Heinert, Holien, Hunhoff (Bernie), Jensen (Phil), Lederman, Olson, Parsley, Peterson (Jim), Rampelberg, Rusch, Sutton, Tidemann, Tieszen, and Van Gerpen and Representatives Johns, Bartling, Deutsch, Feickert, Gibson, Gosch, Haggar (Don), Harrison, Hawks, Hickey, Klumb, McCleerey, Mickelson, Novstrup (Al), Otten (Herman), Peterson (Kent), Rasmussen, Ring, Romkema, Schoenbeck, Sly, Tulson, Verchio, Westra, Wollmann, and Zikmund

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to establish a legislative task force to study elder abuse in
- 2 South Dakota.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. There is hereby established the Elder Abuse Task Force to study the prevalence
- 5 and impact of elder abuse in South Dakota and to make recommendations to the Legislature on
- 6 policies and legislation to effectively address the issue. The task force shall consist of the
- 7 following eleven members:
- 8 (1) The president pro tempore of the Senate shall appoint four members of the Senate:
- 9 (2) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint four members of the
- House of Representatives; and
- 11 (3) The Governor shall appoint three members who have significant experience with
- 12 elder abuse.

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- 1 Section 2. The initial appointments shall be made no later than July 1, 2015, and shall serve
- 2 until January 1, 2016, which shall be the end date for the task force. If there is a vacancy on the
- 3 task force, the vacancy shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 4 Section 3. The elder abuse task force shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board
- 5 of the Legislative Research Council and staffed and funded as an interim legislative committee,
- 6 not to exceed twenty-one thousand dollars.